

**Request for Continued  
Examination (RCE)  
Transmittal**

Application Number 09/987,404  
Filing Date November 14, 2001.  
First Named Inventor Takeshi Kamio  
Art Unit 1741  
Examiner Name John M. Hoffman  
Attorney Docket Number SH-0027US

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- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ **Enclosed**
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_


**2. Miscellaneous**

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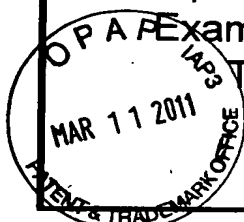
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- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees or credit any overpayments to  
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- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of Time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
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- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$810.00 enclosed.

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